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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the outstanding Office Action, claims 1-3 have been canceled and new claim 30 presented, which claim incorporates all of the limitations of claims 1, 2 and 3. Accordingly, since claim 3 was indicated as containing allowable subject matter, claim 30 should now be allowable.

Also, claim 11 has been canceled and new claim 31 presented, incorporating all of the limitations of claim 11 and claim 1. Accordingly, since claim 11 was indicated as containing allowable subject matter, claim 31 should now be allowable.

Also, claims 14 and 15 have been canceled and new claim 32 presented, incorporating all of the limitations of claims 14 and 15. Since claim 15 was indicated as containing allowable subject matter, claim 32 should now be allowable.

Also, claim 21 has been canceled and new claim 33 presented, containing all of the limitations of claim 21 and claim 14 on which it depended. Since claim 21 was indicated as containing allowable subject matter, claim 33 should now be allowable.

Also, claim 26 has been canceled and new claim 34 presented, containing all of the limitations in claim 26 and claim 14 on which it depended. Since claim 26 was indicated as containing allowable subject matter, it is believed that claim 34 is now allowable.

With respect to the remaining dependent claims in the application, various dependent claims have been amended in their dependency so that all remaining dependent claims depend directly or indirectly on a newly presented independent claim, previously indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Accordingly it is believed that all dependent claims remaining in the case are also allowable.

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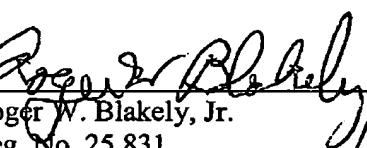
CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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